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▶ Friends and family members of missing women protest at Main and Hastings streets on Tuesday.

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Missing, murdered women remembered

Several thousand people took part in the 21st annual Women's Memorial March through the Downtown Eastside. Organizers of the event repeated their criticism of the ongoing Missing Women Inquiry. Story, page 4.

Time in jail looming for rioter

Ryan Dickinson, who has been in custody since Dec. 8, will be back in court Thursday afternoon for his sentencing

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The first Stanley Cup rioter to be sentenced should get a minimum of 15 months in jail, a Crown prosecutor said Tuesday.

Ryan Dickinson, the first person to plead guilty in the June 15 riot, sat in court, wearing red prisoner's garb while the Crown described how he "made conscious choices" and "enjoyed" his role in the riot.

"He was not a mere participant," lawyer Patti Tomasson said. "He was an instigator in the riot."

The Crown is asking for a 15- to 18-month jail sentence for the 20-year-old Coquitlam man, as well as one to three months for breaching bail conditions related to a previous charge.

The court was shown videos of Dickinson using a road barricade to smash a police cruiser and trashing an unmarked police car with a newspaper box in the 700 block of Nelson Street.

In another clip, Dickinson is seen hurling a mannequin and a newspaper box at a Black & Lee formal-wear store window.

"The riot was akin to a home invasion of the whole community," Tomasson said, adding the June 15 chaos caused $3.7 million in damages and stripped a sense of security from Vancouver residents.

Defence lawyer Eric Warren said his client was "caught up in the moment" and rejected the Crown's assertion that Dickinson was an instigator in the riot.

Warren said a one-year sentence is appropriate.

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Kidnapping plot busted by task force

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Six men have been implicated in an elaborate kidnapping ring.

British Columbia's Combined Forces Special Enforcement Unit announced Tuesday that six people are facing charges after being caught allegedly committing a kidnapping while under surveillance by the gang task force.

Supt. Tom McCluskie told media that the suspects allegedly sought out victims for profit, tracked their vehicles with GPS devices and then violently abducted them.

It was during one of these incidents that police swooped in and arrested the suspects.

"Those who pose the greatest threat to public safety get the most attention," said McCluskie. "The arrests of these individuals lands right at the top of where we need to be."

All six men have been charged with a count each of kidnapping with a firearm with the intent to cause harm, assault with a weapon and assault causing bodily harm.

Charged

- Charged are Jesse John Margison, Troy Dax McKinnon, Van Van Vu, John Ross Powers, Cody Alexander Sleigh.

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▶ Former B.C. attorney general Ujjal Dosanjh outside a polling station in South Vancouver in November 2008.

Attorneys general light up pot debate

Legalizing, regulating marijuana will have positive effects such as curbing gang violence and crime, four political heavyweights say in letter

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Four former B.C. attorneys general have joined the crusade to legalize marijuana.

Colin Gabelmann, Ujjal Dosanjh, Graeme Bowbrick and Geoff Plant all signed on to the Stop the Violence B.C. coalition Tuesday and sent a letter to both Premier Christy Clark and NDP Opposition Leader Adrian Dix to endorse legalizing, regulating and taxing marijuana. Doing so will curb gang violence and crime, raise tax revenue and ease the load of the court system, they say.

"We should be prosecuting murderers and gangsters, not young people for small amounts of possession," Dosanjh said. "It's not a smart way to deal with crime and there's a significant consensus that is evolving in this country and in the U.S."

The four ex-AGs join four Vancouver mayors that have already joined Stop the Violence B.C.

Dosanjh thinks continuing the criminalization of marijuana encourages gangsters to profit off the drug trade and costs society dearly.

Health organizations and public-policy organizations and think-tanks — some often at odds with each other — have called for legalizations, along with many law-enforcement associations.

Whether the growing pressure will pay off remains a big question, especially with the Conservative government currently in power. But Dosanjh argues that's exactly why proponents need to speak up.

"It's in political circumstances like that it's important to participate in the debate," he said. "Canada has the opportunity to be a leader on this."

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News in brief

Dix slams court backlog

LEGISLATURE. B.C.'s clogged courts were front and centre as the legislature went back into session in Victoria today. In question period, NDP Leader Adrian Dix slammed the government for court delays that are seeing cases tossed out. Premier Christy Clark defended her record, saying the government is working to reduce court backlogs. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

PST transition will help homebuilders: Falcon

NEW RULES. New transition rules for the harmonized sales tax will bring more certainty to the housing industry, Finance Minister Kevin Falcon says. B.C. homebuilders say they fear a downturn in sales as people wait for the abolition of the HST and return of the seven per cent provincial sales tax. Falcon says the new rules will ease the transition from the HST to the PST. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Ex-PMs, singer to get degrees

CONVOCATION. Two former prime ministers and a singer-songwriter are among 10 people who will receive honorary degrees from the University of British Columbia. this year. Joe Clark, who served as PM of a minority government in 1979, and ex-Liberal leader Paul Martin, who was PM from 2003 to 2006, will receive their degrees at separate convocations. Singer-songwriter Buffy Sainte-Marie will be honoured this spring. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Marching for love and justice

- Protesters want zero tolerance of violence against women in DTES
- Thousands of supporters pack the streets on Valentine's Day

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▶ Gladys Evoy, supporter of the Women's Memorial March, hugs a friend on Hastings Street on Tuesday.

Several thousand people marched with all their heart on Tuesday during the 21st annual Women's Memorial March in the Downtown Eastside to advocate justice for women and to commemorate those who have died due to violence.

Friends and family of murdered and missing women stopped to leave flowers and say prayers at sites where women were murdered or went missing.

The March began at 1 p.m. at Main and Hastings streets. The crowd blocked traffic as they passed through the streets, drumming and chanting.

The Valentine's Day march is about caring for and respecting each other, said DTES welfare worker Judy Liverick, who said she has observed the violence in the community.

"It's about protecting those you love," she said.

Earlier in the day, Jessica Wood, an organizer for the Memorial March committee, expressed her anger at the ongoing Missing Women Inquiry.

"What has happened now is a miscarriage of justice in the hands of people who do not connect to this community and don't care about the women who have suffered, been lost or murdered here," she said. "They've taken the largest serial killing in Canada and turned it into a circus. That's not an act of justice."

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INCLUDES central resort style accom.
ADD car rental from $21 per day.

Phoenix Air + 3 Nights — from $624 + taxes & fees $122
INCLUDES Old Town accom. **BONUS** daily breakfast included. **UPGRADE** to 4-star from $77 per night. **ADD** 3-day compact car rental from $35 per day.

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Paris Air + 7 Nights — from $969 + taxes & fees $526
INCLUDES accom in District 13. **UPGRADE** to 4-star accom from $36 per night. **ADD** hop-on, hop-off bus from $34.

Buenos Aires Air + 7 Nights — from $1189 + taxes & fees $558
INCLUDES accom in Santa Fe. **BONUS** daily breakfast included. **UPGRADE** to 4-star accom from $12 per night. **ADD** tango show from $120.

FEATURE

Las Vegas
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+ taxes & fees $117
INCLUDES accom on the Strip. **UPGRADE** to 4-star accom from $10 per night. **ADD** Vegas Passport Ultimate Club Hopping Pass from $131.

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Air + 3 Nights 4-Star — from $389◊ + taxes & fees $125
INCLUDES accom on Harbour Island during Spring Break. Price per person based on family of 4. **ADD** Wild Animal Park from $37. **BOOK** this package based on double occupancy from $479.

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CRIMINAL OFFENCES

Firefighter band official facing charges

A former member of the Vancouver Fire and Rescue Services band has been charged with a number of criminal offences in relation to the alleged misappropriation of $150,000 from the band's account.

Jason William Davidson has been charged with one count of fraud over $5,000, one count of theft over $5,000 and uttering a forged document.

The charges follow a lengthy investigation by the Vancouver police financial crime unit into the band's finances.

Davidson served as band treasurer from Feb. 2003 until Oct. 2008.

He is scheduled to appear in provincial court in Vancouver on March 5.

KENDRA WONG

Cop-assault case closed in Victoria

B.C.'s Police Complaint Commissioner has closed the book on the case of a Victoria police officer found guilty of assault.

Last November, a provincial court judge convicted Sgt. George Chong in an incident in which he put a chokehold on a 34-year-old man during fingerprinting at the Victoria police station in 2010.

The man lost consciousness and fell to the floor, suffering a split lip that required stitches.

Chong — the brother of B.C. provincial cabinet minister Ida Chong — was given a suspended sentence and 12 months' probation.

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City gives green thumb-up

Vancouver is creating urban gardens on three vacant, city-owned lots.

Council hopes the gardens will create 10 jobs for low-income individuals while increasing the amount of fresh produce available in the neighbourhoods. METRO

Shot fired at child protection

Mounties are investigating after a single shot was fired into a child protection office at the Stó:lō Nation Monday.

Police say that a bullet was fired into the second-floor window of the building but no one was injured. MATT KIELTYKA

UBC planning memorial for homeless man

Will look into possibility of a bench in Travers Wimble's memory

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▶ UBC students at the temporary memorial for Travers Wimble at the university's student union building on Tuesday.

University of B.C. students hope to build a memorial for a homeless man who had been a fixture at the university's Point Grey campus for more than a decade.

Travers Wimble, 83, was a regular on campus, often camped out with his paper in a chair between two vending machines on the south concourse in the student union building.

The Alma Mater Society council will vote Wednesday on whether to dedicate a bench in Wimble's memory, according to The Ubyssey student newspaper.

"He would come here and watch (over) the building like it was his home," said Elizabeth McGuire, a security guard.

"He would clean the building up and watch for people that were up to no good. He was a good guy.... He said hi to everyone that came by."

Students would often leave him cups of coffee and food, she added.

On Feb. 8, Wimble reportedly collapsed near the corner of Wesbrook Mall and University Boulevard and died from natural causes.

Bouquets of flowers, cups of coffee, cookies, newspapers and letters currently surround the well-worn chair as a temporary memorial for the "man in the chair."

"I saw him every time I came into this building," said Melissa Crum, a first-year student who stopped by Wimble's memorial on Tuesday.

"He was always here with his newspaper and he would just watch people for hours."

Mountie had vodka shots after deadly crash

A Delta police officer said an off-duty RCMP cop told her he had two shots of vodka after a deadly accident to "calm his nerves."

Const. Sarah Swallow told Cpl. Monty Robinson's obstruction-of-justice trial that Robinson wasn't at the accident site when she arrived, but he appeared a few minutes later.

A man who was walking his dog and saw the aftermath of the crash had Robinson's driver's licence, she testified.

Swallow said the bystander told her that the driver of the Jeep said he was taking his children home and would be back.

Minutes later, Swallow said she saw Robinson standing just feet away from firefighters who were working frantically trying to save motorcyclist Orion Hutchinson, 21. Minutes later, a sheet was pulled up to cover the young man's body.

This isn't the first time Robinson's actions have been under public scrutiny. He was the senior officer who confronted Polish migrant Robert Dziekanski at Vancouver's airport in October 2007. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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EASIER TRAVEL

Airports to fast-track security for U.S.-bound passengers

Travellers under Canada's Nexus program will be able to use their cards in new, faster security lines when flying to the United States.

Transport Minister Denis Lebel announced Tuesday that starting Wednesday, Nexus members can use their cards for faster screening at airports in eight Canadian cities.

Those airports are in Halifax, Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto, Winnipeg, Calgary, Edmonton and Vancouver.

The minister says this will cut waiting times.

"We had these lines, but not for U.S.A.," Lebel told reporters at the Ottawa airport.

"We had these lines for domestic and international flights. We didn't have them for U.S.A. before."

The Nexus program previously allowed Canadian residents to pass through special lines when travelling by road to the United States or by air to some countries outside the U.S.

It's designed to make border security more efficient by allowing guards to move those who aren't considered a danger through customs more quickly and focus on travellers who have the potential to be high risk.

Applicants seeking to qualify for the Nexus program must show they have no criminal record or any violations of customs or immigration laws.

The card costs $50.

The Nexus program began as a joint venture of the Canada and U.S. governments in 2000.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

B.C. woman seeks to overturn sperm-donor anonymity

Olivia Pratten wants appeal court to revamp donor-conception laws

JEFF HODSON/METRO FILE

▶ Olivia Pratten

A woman who scored a major victory last year against laws to protect sperm donors' anonymity is heading to the Appeal Court of British Columbia on Wednesday to fight the government's stance against the case.

Olivia Pratten will be attending the two-day appeal of the ruling as the Attorney General's Ministry attempts to overturn the judge's order giving the province 15 months to amend current laws. "I'm disappointed that I'm back in court and that they've appealed it," Pratten said of last May's decision by a B.C. Supreme court judge who deemed the Adoption Act, which covers donor conception, unconstitutional.

Judge Elaine Adair also granted a permanent injunction against the destruction of donor records, saying offspring conceived through donated eggs or sperm have a psychological need to know their genetic background in the same way adopted children do.

Pratten, a Toronto journalist, was born in 1982 through donated sperm because her parents were unable to conceive.

She spent a decade trying to learn her biological father's identity, only to discover that records containing that information had been destroyed by her mother's fertility specialist.

In 2008, Pratten launched a lawsuit against the B.C. government and the provincial College of Physicians and Surgeons, saying she and others like her should have access to information about their biological parents.

The B.C. government, which requires records to be kept for only six years, has argued that donors have a right to privacy.

Pratten now anticipates the case will go before the Supreme Court of Canada and that the country will catch up to other jurisdictions around the world in banning anonymity for people who donate eggs or sperm. THE CANADIAN PRESS

PM's pension rhetoric influenced by public: Report

FRED CHARTRAND/ THE CANADIAN PRESS

▶ Stephen Harper speaks in the House of Commons.

New surveys for the government suggest Prime Minister Stephen Harper was tapping into deep anxieties among Canadians when he announced an overhaul to Canada's retirement system.

A few months before Harper told the world in Davos, Switzerland, that Canada's retirement benefits would not be sustainable without major changes, the public was already telling him it was losing faith in Ottawa's ability to deal with an aging population.

Polling and focus-group testing for the Privy Council Office point to an overriding concern about aging and about whether the federal government's policies were sufficient.

"Across the country, participants touched on a series of concerns that revolve around the aging of Canada's population, and the government's ability to address the challenges associated with this reality," says the report by Walker Consulting Group, based on public-opinion research done last August.

In open-ended questions, many respondents told the pollsters that the government needed to pay special attention to pension sustainability and the ability of future generations to support growing numbers of retirees.

In responses from across the county, participants said repeatedly they were concerned about the ability of the health-care system to handle the growing burden of an aging population.

A month later, Harper used his podium at an exclusive economics gathering in Davos to announce that he, too, was concerned about taxpayers' ability to finance retirement benefits in the coming decades and was preparing to make changes. THE CANADIAN PRESS

sign defence deal

Canada has secured a deal with Germany to establish a strategic European base that would support future conflicts.

Defence Minister Peter MacKay made the announcement today following a meeting with his German counterpart, Thomas de Maiziere.

Over the last few years, National Defence has been quietly scouting locations in key regions of the world to set up small logistical bases and warehouses of stores that could be quickly expanded if needed.

MacKay says such facilities proved themselves invaluable during the Afghan war, and the European hub will be located at the Cologne-Bonn airport.

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Internet bill reignites debate

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▶ Public Safety Minister Vic Toews, left, and Justice Minister Rob Nicholson

The tabling of federal legislation that would give police and spies easier access to information about Internet users reignited a pitched debate Tuesday about whether the measures are unduly invasive.

Justice Minister Rob Nicholson said the legislation was simply an attempt to bring the law into the 21st century, rejecting NDP warnings the bill threatens to turn Canada into a surveillance society.

The bill would allow authorities access to Internet subscriber information — including name, address, telephone number and email address — without first getting a court's go-ahead. Currently, it is voluntary for Internet service providers to hand such data to police.

The legislation would also require telecommunication service providers to have the technical capability to allow authorities to intercept messages and conversations.

The proposed measures pit the desire of intelligence and law-enforcement officials to have ready access to information about people online against the individual's right to privacy.

Nicholson said the proposed changes will give police and security services the tools they need to deal with cyber-criminals while respecting privacy rights. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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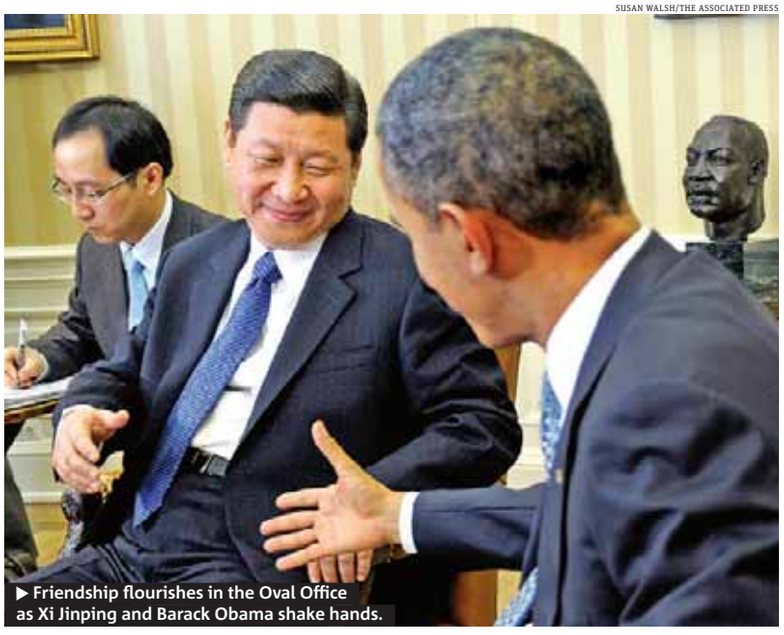

▶ Friendship flourishes in the Oval Office as Xi Jinping and Barack Obama shake hands.

Obama rolls out the welcome mat

Handshakes and warm words at White House for China's man to watch But outside, a Tibetan protest

The political winds blew hot and cold around the White House on Tuesday.

Inside, U.S. President Barack Obama and China's heir-apparent leader, Vice-President Xi Jinping, exchanged handshakes and warm words.

"We welcome China's peaceful rise," Obama said as the two men sat in the Oval Office.

"We believe that a strong and prosperous China is one that can help to bring stability and prosperity to the region and to the world."

But, outside, protesters marched, waving Tibetan flags, calling for a free Tibet and proclaiming "Xi Jinping: Tibet will be free."

They shouted "Shame on Chinese government" and "Stop lying to the world."

The U.S., too, reiterated its longstanding concerns over human rights, which Obama described as a "critical issue."

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This man Xi

- Xi's visit is being closely watched because he will likely lead China over the coming decade. After becoming party leader, he is expected to replace Hu Jintao as president in 2013.
- Xi is viewed as more able to make personal connections than Hu, and more willing to step away from the traditional aloofness of Chinese high office.

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Syrian envoy chastises Canada over sanctions

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▶ Bashar Akbik

Syria's top diplomat in Canada is striking back at Ottawa for what he says are "deplorable" sanctions imposed by the Harper government that he insists are harming innocent civilians in his country.

Bashar Akbik, Syria's charge d'affairs, levelled that accusation in an interview with The Canadian Press during which he steadfastly denied that the regime of President Bashar Assad is responsible for the killing of thousands of innocent civilians in a bloody 11-month crackdown on dissent.

Akbik blamed terrorists and criminals for the violence in his country. He said a Western-led "conspiracy" — with Saudi Arabia's collusion — is trying to overthrow his government and that conspiracy is responsible for the carnage that the United Nations says has left more than 5,400 dead.

"We know that Canadian media (are) totally, totally biased to one side of the conflict."
BASHAR AKBIK, SAYING CANADIAN JOURNALISTS ARE NOT WELCOME IN SYRIA

"Hollywood"-style videos on the Internet that have fabricated scenes of government forces killing innocent civilians are part and parcel of the international plot, he said.

Akbik's denial came within hours of United Nations human rights chief Navi Pillay's telling the General Assembly that Assad's regime has likely committed crimes against humanity.

"Canada is helping to worsen the life of the Syrian citizens, and the sanctions will bring no result," Akbik said.

"This is really deplorable, the Canadian stand towards the current events in Syria," he added. "Since the first days of the insurgency in Syria, the Canadian government took a belligerent position against the Syrian regime."

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Activists say Syrian people facing 'brutal shelling'

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▶ Civilians flee from fighting after Syrian tanks enter the northwestern city of Idlib on Tuesday.

Syrian government forces renewed their assault on the rebellious city of Homs on Tuesday in what activists described as the heaviest shelling in days, as the UN human rights chief raised fears of civil war.

Troops loyal to President Bashar Assad have been shelling Homs for more than a week to retake parts of the city captured by rebel forces. Hundreds are believed to have been killed since last Saturday, and the humanitarian conditions in the city have been worsening.

Homs was under "brutal shelling" on Tuesday, the Local Co-ordination Committees activist group said, citing its network of witnesses on the ground.

Another activist group, the Britain-based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights, said it was the heaviest shelling in days.

With diplomatic efforts bogged down, the conflict in Syria is taking on the dimensions of a civil war, with army defectors clashing almost daily with soldiers.

UN human rights chief Navi Pillay warned on Monday that the Security Council's failure to take action has emboldened the Syrian government to launch an all-out assault.

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Greece delays on demands, postponing bailout meeting

EU countries, analysts skeptical indebted country will pull through

Two steps forward, one step back. So goes the frenzied effort across Europe to bail out Greece and save it from a potentially devastating default on its debts.

A meeting of the finance chiefs of the 17 euro countries to discuss Greece's second bailout planned for Wednesday was called off Tuesday evening after Athens failed to deliver in time on several demands made by its partners in the currency union.

The last-minute cancellation shows the eurozone wants much tougher guarantees now from Athens before giving it an extra 130 billion euros in rescue loans, on top of 110 billion euros granted in 2010, raising fears that the deal may fall apart.

The meeting was expected to give the green light for a bond-swap deal with private creditors designed to slice some 100 billion euros off Greece's debt. The deal, which will take weeks to implement, must be finalized by March 20, when Greece faces a 14.5-billion-euro bond redemption.

While the Parliament faced down violent protests on the weekend to approve a new austerity package, the cabinet spent hours Tuesday discussing how to save an extra 325 million euros demanded by the eurozone.

Athens and the eurozone have spent much of the past two years working to avoid a default, but the measures demanded in return for the second bailout cut to the bone of Greek society and the Greek state, making it difficult it to see how the country can restore growth.

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▶ A worker cleans red and black paint off the Bank of Greece's sign after Sunday's riots in Athens.

European Union urges China to join in efforts

European Union leaders urged China on Tuesday to open its markets, join in persuading Iran to negotiate over its nuclear program and help end bloodshed in Syria during a summit delayed by Europe's debt crisis. Leaders pledged to boost trade and to start negotiations on an investment treaty. But EU officials and Chinese Premier Wen Jiabao expressed differences on many issues. Europe is China's biggest trading partner but companies and business groups complain Beijing is limiting access to industries in violation of its free-trade pledges. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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'Business as usual' for Air Canada

Travellers flying Air Canada can keep booking their flights as negotiations continue with a new federally appointed mediator to help resolve an ongoing contract dispute between the airline and its pilots.

"It is business as usual," the Montreal carrier's spokesman Peter Fitzpatrick said in an email Tuesday. "Customers can continue to make their travel plans and book in confidence.

Talks are continuing and "we are confident that a disruption will be avoided," Fitzpatrick said.

Results of a pilot vote on a strike mandate were expected to be released later Tuesday and the company is already in a legal position to impose new contract terms or lock out the workers.

The measures give either side 72 hours to serve notice of its intention to impose a work stoppage. Both sides have said they will not use those options while talks continue.

The federal government put pressure on both sides to avoid any disruptions in air travel, saying a strike or lockout would harm the economy during a fragile recovery. Federal Labour Minister Lisa Raitt intervened in the pilots' dispute, initiating a six-month mediation process. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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▶ A Boeing 787 Dreamliner upon arrival in Singapore last Saturday.

Boeing seals largest order

Boeing has locked in its biggest order ever with a little-known airline halfway around the world.

The Chicago airplane manufacturer said Tuesday that it has finalized an order from Indonesian carrier Lion Air for 230 planes — worth a combined $22.4 billion US.

The deal is the largest commercial airplane order ever for Boeing Co. by both dollar value and number of airplanes. Lion Air also has the rights to buy 150 more.

The order includes 201 of Boeing's redesigned 737, which it calls the Max, and 29 extended range 737-900s. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WEDDING BELLS KEEP THE BEAT

JUST SAYIN' ...

MIKE BENHAIM
METRO

February may be miserable for some of us, but for those crazy Valentines planning their June wedding it's a glorious time.

In my 20 years as a DJ, I have worked more weddings than Kim Kardashian will ever have, and I'm shocked at how many lose sight of the most important ingredient: The music!

How many of you have seen the reality show Musical Weddings? No? That's because there isn't one. And yet there are countless shows about dresses and shoes and chocolate fountains. The industry will have you believe that these things are critical, when we all know that at the very heart of it all is the music. No one will even see your shoes.

On the night of the northeast blackout in 2003, I was doing a wedding. The bridal party was dressed and ready, but there was no electricity. The venue had a generator, which would provide four hours of music if we used nothing else. No flashing lights. No video. No uncle Saul belting out his karaoke rendition of My Way. Just a welcome speech, some drinking and everyone dancing until just past midnight ... on a Thursday.

"Some of the best weddings I've ever attended involved tight-knit groups of friends celebrating memories together ..."

I used to get calls from brides who had paid $2,000 for a dress and $750 for a cake but expected to spend $500 on a DJ because that's how much their cousins paid ... in 1983.

A wedding reception is meant to be a moment of celebration between loved ones. It's not an opportunity to hog the spotlight in front of a captive audience.

If your DJ is energetic, knows his music and observes the crowd, he'll have her aunt Myrna from Flin Flon doing the Cha Cha Slide with his uncle Surjeet from Bombay before the night is done.

Can your cake do that?

No one wants to hear lengthy speeches about your days at summer camp, or watch a 15-minute slide show of your relationship set to the music of Celine Dion.

They want to party, and if you don't think there's a difference between a good DJ and a guy who's there because he knows how to press "play," then you might as well stock the bar with Shirley Temples and virgin daiquiris.

Magazines and wedding planners will tell you that food and decor (and wedding planners) are the most important elements of your affair, but then so will the guy that carves the fruit into animal shapes.

Some of the best weddings I've ever attended involved tight-knit groups of friends celebrating memories together, dancing to '90s music without so much as a glance at the ice sculptures or gold-painted human statues.

Yes, ladies, it is your night, but it's meant to be enjoyed with your loved ones, so feed them, keep them lubricated and hire a DJ or band that rocks. You may actually create a memory that you and your friends will want to relive when that video you paid so much for, is done.

Just sayin'.

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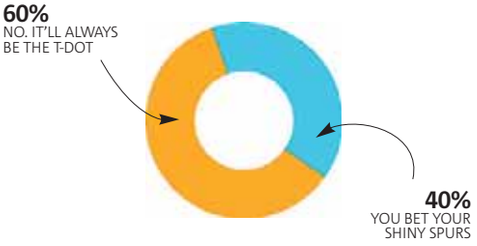

Local tweets

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- **@andreareimer:** New urban gardens support Greenest City goals and Downtown Eastside job creation fb.me/19LDNGwB6
- **@keithbaldrey:** And the 1st topic of the 1st question period of the spring sitting is.....drumroll.....delays in the justice system!
- **@streetcrow:** Park. Grass. Grab twig. Toss
- **@theroyalhalf:** I'm not sure about Rick, but I'm pretty sure the Kings could get Steve Nash for Bernier, Penner, Hunter and a pick. Maybe.
- **@xxostacy:** Absolutely in love with vancouver. Valentines day skate at robson, shopping, saw cast of fringe. Don't want to leave
- **@charliedemers:** This is going to make me sound simultaneously smarter and dumber than some people, but I thought 'Pinterest' was about Harold Pinter.

Daily Zoom

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Surfing the rocks

Rock only seen by chosen few

ARIZONA. British photographer Simon Byrne is on the crest of a wave of success after becoming one of the lucky few to learn the secret location of this stunning sandstone formation. The 31-year-old needed a special permit before he was given "rough guidelines" to find The Wave in a remote spot in Arizona. MWN

60 seconds

What were your first thoughts after you found The Wave?
Spectacular. One minute you're hiking across the desert, and suddenly you're there. I was amazed how perfectly formed and preserved this sandstone phenomenon is. Every inch you move changes the whole dynamic of the scene, meaning you can explore The Wave for hours.

You're among the lucky few to actually find The Wave. Why so?
Guidelines to find this were only provided to those lucky to get a permit in a lottery.

What do you love about this photograph?
How all the lines connect together. They seem to run around the whole structure and don't seem to have a beginning or an end. It's almost like a sea reaching a tideline. MWN

The Wave

- **Location.** Somewhere in the 112,500-acre Paria Canyon-Vermilion Cliffs Wilderness, near the Arizona/Utah border.
- **Jurassic Rock.** 190-million-year-old sand dunes that turned to stone.
- **Best time to photograph The Wave?** Around midday when no shadows are cast in centre.

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Dancing with the Devil

Ghost Rider: Spirit of Vengeance is the latest film to pit Hollywood heroes against Satan

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▶ In Ghost Rider: Spirit of Vengeance, Johnny Blaze is called out of hiding to stop the devil, who is trying to take human form.

IN FOCUS

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In this weekend's Ghost Rider: Spirit of Vengeance, Johnny Blaze, played by Nicolas Cage, joins a long line of movie characters in the ultimate fight — battling Satan! Everyone from Jack Black to Viggo Mortensen to Santa Claus has been hell bent on battling Old Scratch on the big screen.

In Tenacious D in The Pick of Destiny, Jack Black and Kyle Glass play heavy metal musicians who must play a musical battle with Lucifer.

"The demon code prevents me from declining the rock off challenge," says Old Scratch before they engage in a metal showdown. If they win, they'll be superstars and the keepers of the magic pick made of Satan's tooth. Lose and Kyle gets a new roommate — the prince of darkness.

The Devil in Prince of Darkness takes a slightly different form than Pick of Destiny's traditional ruby-skinned imp. In this John Carpenter chiller the Devil is an alien life form trapped in an alternate world. Meanwhile, his son lives on our planet, boiled down into a vat of sinister-looking green liquid.

E-critic.com hated the movie, suggesting the advertising tagline for the movie should be: It's NEW and IMPROVED LIQUID SATAN!!!, but it has some good thrills, a moody synthesize score, a cameo by Alice Cooper and a great performance by Donald Pleasance as a priest who does battle with the Devil.

One critic called The Prophecy "Paradise Lost reimagined as a droll B horror picture."

Christopher Walken plays an angel trying to wage war against God. You might imagine that would put him in league with the Devil, but you'd be wrong. "Your war is arrogance," says Mephistopheles, who looks a lot like Viggo Mortensen, "That makes it evil. That's mine."

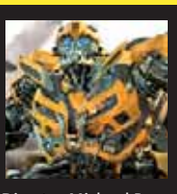
The movie spawned four sequels, but the original remains the best, if only to watch Mortensen deliver lines like, "While heaven may be closed I am always open, even on Christmas."

And speaking of Christmas, one of the strangest cinematic demonic battles happens in the Mexican fantasy film Santa Claus. Described as "Ho Ho Horrible!" by one critic, it's cut-rate and cheesy but has a certain kitschy charm.

Sometimes referred to as Santa Claus Conquers the Devil, this weird movie sees St Nick shoot the Devil with toy arrows. Though marketed to kids, the Mystery Science Theater 3000 folks summed it up best when they said the movie is "good old-fashioned nightmare fuel."

2 scene

Scene in brief



Director Michael Bay plans a fresh take on shape-shifting robots with the fourth installment in his Transformers franchise. Paramount Pictures announced Monday night that Bay will return to direct the next chapter in the blockbuster sci-fi series, due in theatres June 29, 2014.

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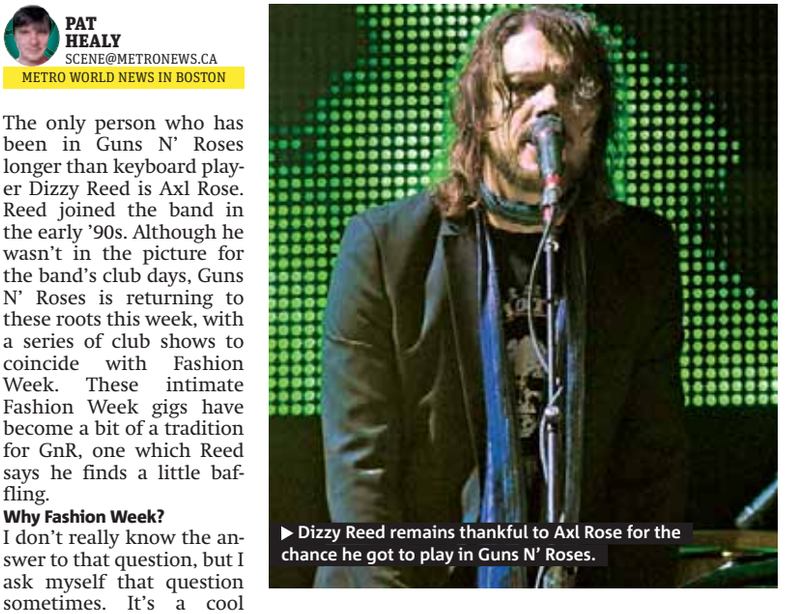
The last man still standing

- Dizzy Reed of Guns N' Roses shows a little patience
- Talks about members who have left and a reunion



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▶ Dizzy Reed remains thankful to Axl Rose for the chance he got to play in Guns N' Roses.

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The only person who has been in Guns N' Roses longer than keyboard player Dizzy Reed is Axl Rose. Reed joined the band in the early '90s. Although he wasn't in the picture for the band's club days, Guns N' Roses is returning to these roots this week, with a series of club shows to coincide with Fashion Week. These intimate Fashion Week gigs have become a bit of a tradition for GnR, one which Reed says he finds a little baffling.

Why Fashion Week?

I don't really know the answer to that question, but I ask myself that question sometimes. It's a cool thing to be a part of it, but from my perspective it's a bit of a quintessential New York experience. And rock 'n' roll and fashion have always sort of been intertwined.

"I think coming into the band as I did, I just had a different perspective on it. I was pretty grateful to be called up."
DIZZY REED

You're also returning to the Ritz, which although it's now called Webster Hall, is where Guns N' Roses performed a classic show that ran on MTV for a long time.

I think that was one of the moments out here (in Los Angeles) where we all sort of realized that Guns were gonna blow up.

You talk of people coming and going. How have you stayed in the band so long?

I think coming into the band as I did, I just had a different perspective on it. I was pretty grateful to be called up to be a part of what was such a huge thing at the time, and if I ever start drifting off into any sort of place where maybe I want to do a little more for myself I just try to remind myself that I'm pretty darn lucky.

Axl gets a bad rap for the ways he has led this band, but you've worked with him for so long.

He's a great, great man. He's done a lot for me and my family and for so many other people. And people don't know that about him. And you know what? He's always got some great jokes, man.

Do you know what's going to happen with GnR's induction into the Hall in April? There are rumors of a reunion of the original lineup.

I haven't gotten any details. I spoke with the people of that institution. They gave me a call and told me to mark it on the calendar, to be there.

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Nicki Minaj versus the Catholic Church

Star's self-exorcism performance at Grammys panned

THE WORD

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By aiming to prove to the world that she's not just Lil' Kim reincarnated, Nicki Minaj tried to make her mark on Sunday night's Grammy Awards by performing an over-the-top — and highly panned — rendition of her single Roman Holiday.

The performance featured a self-exorcism, dancing monks and nuns, burning flames and Minaj speaking in tongues. Basically, the whole production made The Phantom of the Opera look like high art. And now Catholics are (rightfully) angry, with the Catholic League releasing a scathing statement by president Bill Donohue, who places the blame on both Minaj and the Recording Academy, the organization that hands out the Grammys, for letting such an "offensive" performance air.

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▶ Nicki Minaj

"Whether Minaj is possessed is surely an open question, but what is not in doubt is the irresponsibility of the Recording Academy," he wrote.

In her defence, Minaj says that the Recording Academy wanted her to do Roman Holiday.

"I could have chosen to do a no-brainer pop song, but I can't do it anymore. I have to stay true to what I am doing," she told Ryan Seacrest yesterday.

This whole thing is so silly. But I'll tell you what is incredible, dear reader: We're still talking about the usually dull Grammy Awards a full three days after it aired. That has to be some kind of record.

Talking points

Aniston not keen on kids

AT PEACE WITH HER LIFE

Despite all the outside focus on her romantic fortunes, Jennifer Aniston says she isn't interested in attaining the picture-perfect life.

"I think that's sort of cliché, isn't it? Like, if you want to be happy, you should have the house, the husband, the kids," Aniston tells GQ magazine. "Kids are messy!"

As for what might happen family-wise with boyfriend Justin Theroux?

"I still kind of go with. If it happens, it happens," she says. "I'm calm and peaceful with whatever the plan is. It's not something where I'm going, 'I gotta have a kid!'"

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Get a taste for Halifax

Nova Scotia's capital is known for fishing, the Bluenose and Alexander Keith's brewery
But the city is also carving a name for itself as a destination for foodies

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Lauren Marshall is the head chef at Morris East, the only restaurant in Halifax with a real wood-fired oven.

With the Atlantic ocean lapping at its front door, it's no secret a trip to Halifax pairs nicely with a side of fish and chips. But adventurous gourmets may be surprised to learn the seaside capital also offers up a smorgasbord of dining options that local foodies say rivals big city competitors.

"When you think of Halifax, seafood — no question — comes to mind as a leading commodity," says Patricia Lyall, executive director of Destination Halifax, the city's tourism marketing organization.

But with some 500 bistros, pubs, fine dining rooms, supper clubs, diners and international eateries in the sprawling municipality, Lyall says there are plenty of opportunities to push the boundaries of your palate. "You can very easily plan to dine out seven days a week and not replicate the experience."

That doesn't get much easier than in February when the Restaurant Association of Nova Scotia hosts the annual Savour Food and Wine Festival.

The event was launched nine years ago to promote the province's restaurant industry during what's widely considered a slow season in the business.

The month-long pageant of dinner, drinks and desserts includes four events: a chocolate, wine and cheese showcase (it was held at the beginning of the month); a rare and fine wine tasting (Feb. 17, sold out); and Dine Around, an offering of three-course, prix-fixe menus at participating restaurants (all month). The highlight of the festival is the Savour Food and Wine Show on Feb. 23 — a one-night-only epicurean extravaganza hosted by some of Nova Scotia's most inspired chefs. Tickets for the popular event are typically sold out a week in advance.

"I think Nova Scotians have been educated; there's a lot more travel and people want to have a better quality product," says Joe McGuinness, festival chairman and co-owner of Durty Nelly's, an Irish pub located on Argyle Street. "We're now a cosmopolitan city offering a wide variety of local and ethnic cuisine."

But while variety may be the spice of life, local restaurateurs say the city's affection for local products is key to its culinary appeal.

Downtown, a couple of blocks away from bustling Spring Garden Road, is Morris East. The small but stylish restaurant serves up gourmet, thin-crust pizzas and boasts what it says is the city's only real wood-fired oven. The oven came from Naples; its chef hails from Halifax.

"A lot of people are very concerned about where their food is coming from," says Lauren Marshall, who has whipped up a vegetarian dish for the Savour show that features handmade pasta, local veggies and Nova Scotia cheese.

Tucked away in the north end is Chez Tess Creperie, offering sweet and savoury crepes served with Annapolis Valley cider. On historic Barrington Street sits Chives Canadian Bistro, known for its eclectic menu that favours local food producers.

And, of course, there's no shortage of seafood — with a twist. Spots like Fid Resto on Dresden Row serve up seared Atlantic salmon with pickled plums and poutine made with fresh Nova Scotia lobster.

Lyall says it's only in recent years that Destination Halifax began considering dining out as more than a basic travel need, but as a tourism draw.

She admits being initially surprised by the diversity and expertise the city has to offer. Now, Lyall believes Halifax can "punch above its weight" and compete with any cosmopolitan city.

McGuinness agrees.

"The old perception of it being a sleepy fishing village, that's long gone."

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If you go...

- Tickets for the Savour Food and Wine show cost $79 plus tax. For detailed information on the festival, visit savourfoodandwine.com.
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Travel in brief

A large-scale art installation comprising 200 tents set up on the grounds of Fort York National Historic Site in Toronto is being planned to help mark the bicentennial of the War of 1812. The Encampment, commissioned by the City of Toronto and the Luminato arts festival, will be staged each evening from June 8 to 24, serving as "a massive collective expression of art and history," say promoters.

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Ga., county buys garden of late folk artist Howard Finster that was featured in R.E.M. video

Recipe by Wilo Benet
Octopus Carpaccio

Ingredients:

- One frozen Spanish or Portuguese octopus about 6 pounds
- Salt and pepper
- Ve jus
- Olive oil
- Recao leaves (thinly sliced)
- Celery micro-greens
- Granny Smith Apple (julienne cut)

Preparation:

1. Cook the octopus: Bring a large pot of abundant water to a boil. Completely submerge the octopus in the boiling water. Return to a full boil, and cook for 30 minutes. Turn off the heat, cover with a tight-fitting lid, and set aside undisturbed for 10 minutes. Drain, and transfer the octopus to a bath of ice water to stop the cooking. Drain.
2. Slice octopus: Using a knife or a pair of scissors, cut out and discard the head from the base of the tentacles. Separate the tentacles from the base, and set aside. Slice the base into thin pieces and set aside. Cut away and discard any gummy or fatty excesses on the tentacles. Slice tentacles thin; set aside.
3. Set on a square fashion approximately about 25 pieces of thinly slice octopus. Add salt and pepper to taste, drizzle some verjus on the octopus and some extra virgin olive oil, scatter some thinly slice recao, add celery micro-greens and julienne of granny smith apple.

Savouring San Juan

Puerto Rico's cuisine is as rich in flavour as the island is in sunshine! Try these treats

1 Pork

Every city has its celebrity chef. Cookbook author and Top Chef Masters contestant Wilo Benet is San Juan's local culinary hero. His flagship, Pikayo, in the Conrad Condado Plaza, blends Puerto Rican flavours with tastes of Africa and Eastern Europe, with surprises like Plantain Mofongo (with bacon, saffron and shrimp) and Octopus Carpaccio (see recipe, right). All in an upscale, loungey environment.
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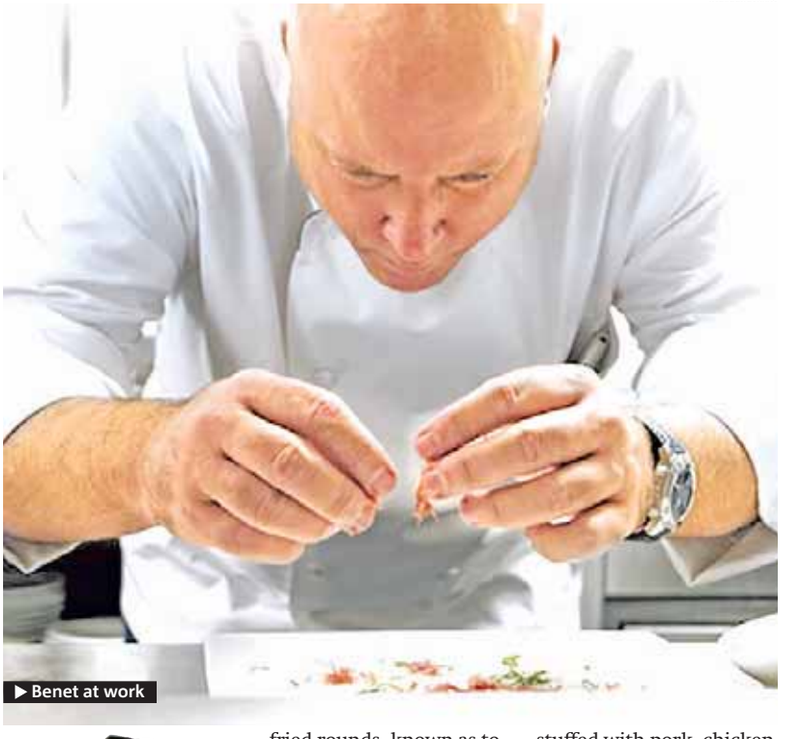

▶ Benet at work

2 Seafood

The Waterfront Restaurant is not only known for its tranquil, oceanside setting on the Pinones boardwalk, but for its excellent preparations of local fish. Try the pastelillos, savoury turnovers filled with chapin (trunkfish), the mild and meaty grilled dorado (mahi mahi) and sweet Caribbean lobster in a rich butter sauce.
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3 Plantains

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Visiting Middle Earth

Peter Jackson's The Hobbit continues to film in New Zealand
We tell you where — maybe you could be an extra!

HANDOUT

▶ Freeman in The Hobbit

PETER JACKSON'S NEW ZEALAND

The NZ-born director turned his homeland into Middle Earth for the Lord of the Rings trilogy — and, in turn, it became tourist central, drawing more visitors than ever before. (People go for the scenery; not for actual elves.) This December's prequel, The Hobbit: An Unexpected Journey, the first of two parts, is already drumming up interest in the small country. It follows Bilbo Baggins (Martin Freeman) heading into the wilderness, battling orcs and spiders and meeting old friends.

Here's a preccccious roundup of where they're shooting. Plan your vacation now.

HOBBITON

Home of the hobbits, Hobbiton village is actually the Alexander family farm, near an area called Haere Mai, on the North Island of New Zealand. Originally a temporary set for Rings, Jackson has built permanent structures for The Hobbit: bridges, streams and the doors of 45 Hobbit homes will be displayed forever. To take a tour, contact the Alexander's Hobbiton Movie Set and Farm Tour (hobbitontours.com).

THE MOVIE STUDIO

Co-owned by Jackson, the Stone Street Studios, in Wellington is where the Hobbit green screen filming was done, before the cast and crew went on location. (In October, in 140 vehicles, they moved 500 crew — and food, and toilets, and lighting rigs and so much more — from here to Hobbiton.) You can tour the soundstages — where Avatar (pictured) and King Kong were also filmed — with a visit to The Studio Tour (thestudiotour.com).

ARATIATIA RAPIDS

Near Lake Taupo, in the North Island, the crew tossed barrels down these rapids for a secret scene. What you won't see on film: The hydroelectric Aratiatia Power Station, which releases water through the rapids.

THE *REAL* DWARF KINGDOM

This place doesn't actually exist. (Aside from some weird theme park in China. Seriously, Google it, there's a Dwarf Empire there.) If you need a Dwarf fix before The Hobbit opens, rent Game of Thrones. The second season starts on HBO in March.

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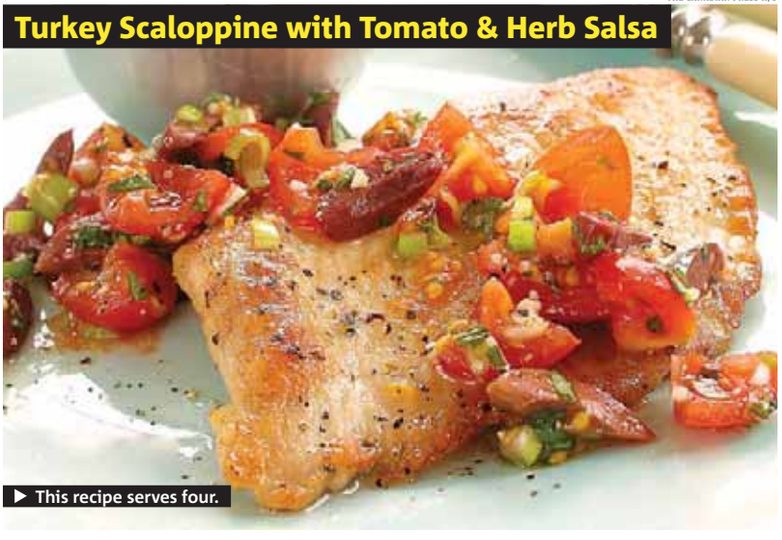
Turkey Scaloppine with Tomato & Herb Salsa



▶ This recipe serves four.

Preparation:

1 Fresh Tomato and Herb Salsa: In bowl, combine tomatoes, olives, green onion, oil, salt, pepper, basil, chopped mint and feta.

2 Coat turkey in flour, shaking off any excess. Sprinkle with salt and pepper.

3 In non-stick skillet, heat oil over medium-high heat. Cook turkey in two batches about 4 minutes per side, until crisp and golden and no longer pink inside. Keep in warm oven while cooking second batch of turkey.

4 Divide turkey among 4 plates and top with fresh salsa. THE CANADIAN PRESS/ ONTARIO TURKEY/ ADAPTED FOR METRO NEWS BY EMILY RICHARDS, A PROFESSIONAL HOME ECONOMIST, COOKBOOK AUTHOR, AND TV CELEBRITY CHEF. FOR MORE, VISIT EMILYRICHARDSCOOKS.CA.

Ingredients:

Fresh Tomato and Herb Salsa

- 500 ml (2 cups) chopped fresh tomatoes
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) pitted kalamata olives, halved
- 1 green onion, sliced
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) olive oil
- 1 ml (1/4 tsp) each sea salt and fresh pepper
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) chopped fresh basil
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) fresh mint
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) crumbled feta

- 4 turkey scaloppine cutlets
- 30 ml (1 tbsp) all purpose flour
- 1 ml (1/4 tsp) each sea salt and fresh pepper
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) olive oil

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1 Get organized Write down the date, time and location of your interview in your smart phone or date book right away.

Tip: Ask the recruiter for key information like the name of your interviewer and the interview style to help you prepare in the below steps.

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▶ Remember that an interview works both ways — you are interviewing the company to see if it's the right fit for you just as they are interviewing you.

2 Research the company Check out their mission statement, values/competences, services or products, case studies, awards, blog and executives. Be confident that you can summarize why you want to work at the company and why you are a great fit with this company,

Tip: Print off any key information you've found and highlight it or take notes. Don't be afraid to take this prep package with you to the interview in a folder so they see you are prepared. Also write down any questions you have to ask to determine if the company is the right fit for you and you are the right fit for them.

3 Get the real story via social media Check out their Facebook page to see photos, comments and general company news. This can be a great place to see company social event photos. See if they have a twitter account so you can check out what your future colleagues are tweeting about.

Tip: Seeing the inside scoop from current employees helps you understand your future colleagues and the real experience working at Company X.

4 Research your interviewers If you have the interviewer names, check them out on LinkedIn. See how long they have been with the company, positions they have held.

Tip: You can use this information when asking them about their experience at X Company or when asking questions. Example: "I see that you have been at X for five years and have worked in the recruiting and marketing teams tell me why you love working here…" This shows you went above and beyond in your research.

5 Research the industry • What are top trends in the industry right now?
• Who are the biggest competitors of this company?

Tip: Use this information when they ask you the question, "Why do you want to join company X or what interests you about this industry?" Show that you are passionate about the industry and well versed!

6 Reach out to connections Do you have any friends that work at the company or have interviewed? Find out what type of interview questions they ask — behaviour based? Is there a competency exam?

Tip: Getting the inside scoop always sets you up for success.

If you have a friend who works there, ask them about the person interviewing you and typical questions. Also, don't be afraid to ask them to refer you or highlight your name.

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NBA. Jeremy Lin

▶ Knicks guard Jeremy Lin celebrates with teammates Tyson Chandler, left, and Landry Fields after his game-winning three-pointer against Toronto.

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Linsanity continues with last-second win over Raptors

In the time it took for Jeremy Lin to glance up at the clock, then pull up and launch a jaw-dropping shot, the New York Knicks phenomenon penned another page in his fairytale story.
The 23-year-old guard, who went from a seldom-used player to the league's hottest story in the span of a week, drained a three-point shot with 0.5 seconds on the clock to lift the Knicks to their sixth consecutive victory, 90-87, over the Toronto Raptors.

Two shots to pass Lidstrom

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In the recent years of free agency, especially after the institution of the salary cap, it's become a rarity to see a player stick with a single club for his entire career. Add to that the difficulty of playing injury-free year-in, year-out and Nicklas Lidstrom's record-setting 1,550 games played with the same team becomes all the more remarkable.

So how impressive, then, would it be if two men turned the trick simultaneously? If the Sedin brothers played 10 more seasons — and with each only 31 years old, it's far from impossible — they would each have a real shot at breaking Lidstrom's record. Here's why:

Daniel has played 842 games, Henrik 866. Over their 10-plus seasons in the NHL, Daniel has missed only 32 games and Henrik, incredibly, only eight. And while staying healthy always involves a dash of luck, there's a reason the twins stay on the ice: They play an intelligent, safe game.

Whether calculated or by intuition, the Sedins' game of puck possession and ice awareness rarely puts them in a position to get hurt. Players who use speed to generate offence are simply more prone to injury.

On top of that, the league's crackdown on head shots will help keep players on the ice ... and that's only the beginning. If you don't expect more restrictions on checking and equipment in the coming years, you may want to go and get a baseline test.

And what's the likelihood the Sedins end up on another NHL team at some point down the road? Don't bet on it. Though their contracts expire after two more seasons, following the 2013-14 campaign, I have a crisp one-dollar bill ... er ... loonie that says they're not going anywhere.

The twins took a discount to stay three years ago and it's been nothing but success since. A cup hasn't been raised yet, but no team can offer a better chance — or better money — than the one they currently suit up for.

So now to the math: If Daniel continues to average 79 games per year he'll hit 1,658 in 2022-23. Henrik at 81 per: 1,702.

The fly in the ointment is if Old Man Lidstrom just keeps on going. If he finishes out this season healthy and plays all 82 next year, he'll finish on — get this — 1,658.

Higgins back

Chris Higgins is happy to hear the Vancouver Canucks now have an official team donut.

- "I might have to put one or two down," he said Tuesday after his first full practice since he was sidelined for six games while battling the after-effects of foot and hand infections.
- A healthier — and heavier — Higgins will return to the Vancouver lineup Wednesday against the Colorado Avalanche. But he is still looking to put on a few more pounds after losing weight while recovering.
- The 28-year-old was sidelined after he suffered an adverse reaction to antibiotics that created flu-like symptoms.
- "I think the most (lost) was 11, 12 pounds," said Higgins. "I've only got a couple more to go. A couple more desserts and it should be fine."
- The Canucks announced a new partnership with Tim Hortons whereby a long john cream-filled donut with the team's logo will be available at more than 150 of the chain's shops within a 100-kilometre radius of Rogers Arena on game days.

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Canucks preview

Colorado at Vancouver
7 p.m.
TV: SNET

The Canucks (35-15-6) look to continue their hot streak against Colorado (28-25-4). Vancouver has earned points in each of its last 10 games. Semyon Varlamov stopped 41 shots in a 3-2 overtime loss to St. Louis Saturday. It was just his second start in 10 games for the Avs. Paul Stastny has a goal and four assists in his last four games and 15 points in 18 games since Matt Duchene (knee) was injured Dec. 29.
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Engine

In keeping with the Spark's modest transportation role, the standard powerplant is a 1.2-litre four-cylinder that generates an equally modest 85 horsepower and 82 pound-feet of torque.

That's obviously not a lot, but wrapped in a small 1,045-kilogram vehicle built for urban commuting with short-lived jaunts at highway speeds, it'll do just fine.

Four doors, not two

The Spark's secret, it seems, involves getting the most room out of the least amount of space. Its upright body offers generous door openings for easy access and plenty of headroom for four adult passengers.

Chevrolet has crafted a neatly designed exterior, highlighted by bulging fenders containing wheels that have been pushed out to each side for the sake of stability and passenger room. And as with the larger Sonic hatchback, the rear door handles have been integrated as part of the window frame, giving the car a two-door appearance, which is all the rage these days.

Stowage

The car is nearly 15 centimetres taller than a Mini Cooper. In other aspects the Spark is slightly shorter overall and there's less distance between the front and rear wheels than the Mini.

You also won't find much stowage area in back, but enlarging the space for life's bulky stuff is just a split-folding-rear-bench away.

▶ The Spark's small-displacement four-cylinder engine won't set any acceleration records, but that's not really the point here, is it?

The right car for the jungle

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The concrete jungle is becoming increasingly tougher to navigate. The streets are clogged, parking fees are ridiculous and fuel is far from cheap.

Survival demands a minimalist transportation module with maximum space for people and cargo. For both urbanites and suburbanites, the Chevrolet Spark is on its way.

Chevrolet has been the recipient of numerous accolades lately for its compact and sub-compact brands.

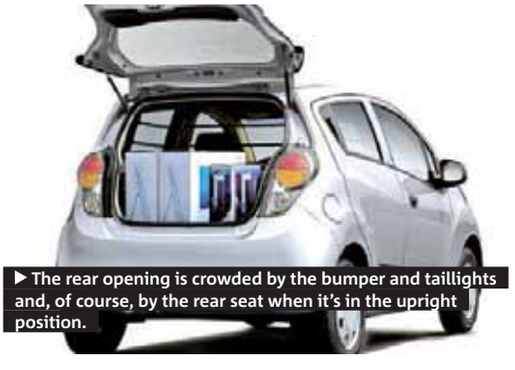
The one-year-old Cruze has been a huge hit and it appears that the newly released Sonic sedan and hatchback will follow the same course for 2012.

And with a growing list of recently released competitors, it seems as though North Americans are beginning to embrace fuel efficiency and a smaller footprint as a way of life.

The Spark hatchback's mid-2012 arrival serves to add fuel to the sub-compact fire.

Versions of this Korea-built four-door hatchback have been buzzing around the streets of Europe, Asia, South America, Australia and Mexico for a few years. Now it's our turn.

In the near future, the Spark could very well be the envy of competitors such as the Smart Fortwo, Scion iQ, Fiat 500 and Mini Cooper.



▶ The rear opening is crowded by the bumper and taillights and, of course, by the rear seat when it's in the upright position.

▶ Almost Hyundai-like in appearance, the Spark's interior is tidy and surprisingly modern without being too trendy or gimmicky.

Chevrolet Spark

What you should know about the 2013 Chevrolet Spark:

- **Type:** Four-door, front-wheel-drive sub-compact hatchback.
- **Engine (hp):** 1.2-litre DOHC I4 (85).
- **Transmission:** Five-speed manual; four-speed automatic (opt.).
- **Market position:** Chevrolet is joining a growing number of automakers offering bite-sized hatchbacks that attempt to combine reasonable passenger space and comfort with exceptional fuel economy and fun-to-drive capability.
- **Mileage:** L/100 km (city/hwy) 6.0/4.9 (MT, est.).

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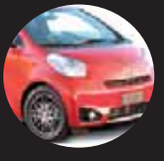
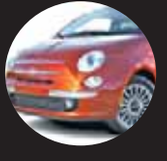
By comparison

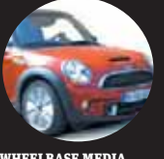
Scion iQ
Base price: $18,150
Minimalist practical model is ideal for getting around in crowded cities.



Fiat 500
Base price: $17,400
Thrifty econo-car offers all-adult seating and a sporty style all its own.



Mini Cooper
Base price: $23,550
Sporty looks and slot-car handling, but is a bit too expensive for its size.



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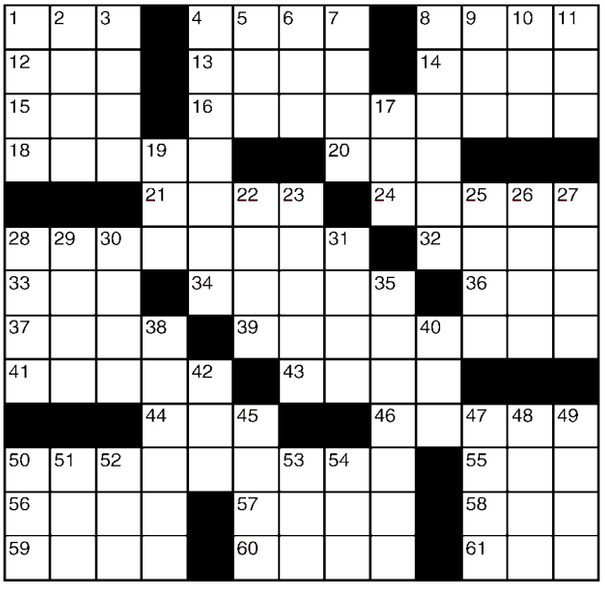

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4 Morse morsels
8 Primary
12 — long way
13 Early caucus state
14 Not deceived by
15 "— Town"
16 Vodka container, at times
18 "Peer Gynt Suite No. 1" composer
20 Chow down
21 Agana's island
24 Daisy feature
28 Unlikely success
32 Zilch
33 In olden days
34 Mexican entrees
36 Visibility hindrance
37 Cat call
39 Hatfield-McCoy arsenal
41 Punishment-related
43 Thicke or Alda
44 Marseilles monarch
46 Talk nonstop
50 Y-shaped launcher
55 Kimono closer
56 Aesopian also-ran
57 Amour
58 Bribe
59 Watched
60 "Zounds!"
61 "Certainly"

Down

1 Dumbstruck
2 Tart
3 Delhi dress
4 Repugnance
5 Reaction to fireworks
6 Pair
7 Fill fully
8 Liquefied, as lava
9 Literary collection
10 "Monty Python" opener
11 Ph. bk. data
17 Space
19 Early bird?
22 Discoverers' cries
23 Coffee-chocolate blend
25 Vegan's protein source
26 Unsigned (Abbr.)
27 Stamina, slangily
28 Genie's home
29 S-shaped molding
30 Midday
31 Implement
35 Began
38 Cautioned
40 Wildebeest
42 Journal
45 Capri or Wight
47 Inquisitive
48 Penetrating wind
49 Pinches
50 That girl
51 Deposit
52 Anger
53 Glutton
54 In vitro cells

▶ Yesterday's answer

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Sudoku

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How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's answer ▶

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7	9	8	3	6	1	4	2	5
6	1	5	8	2	4	7	3	9
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♈ Aries March 21-April 20
You need to accept that other people won't always see things the same way as you.

♉ Taurus April 21-May 21
Your sixth sense tells you that someone is lying. Keep that knowledge to yourself until a time when you can use it to maximum effect.

♊ Gemini May 22-June 21
You will achieve more today if you use persuasion rather than coercion. You don't have to hammer other people into submission.

♋ Cancer June 22-July 22 Your imagination could carry you away today and cause you to do something you'll later regret.

♌ Leo July 23-Aug.23
Be on your guard over the next 24 hours, especially when dealing with work-related issues.

♍ Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22
You need to be practical when dealing with money matters and business affairs. If you let wishful thinking affect you, it'll cost.

♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23
Today's link between your ruler Venus and Pluto, planet of passion, will get your heart beating faster.

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22
There are so many good things going on that you probably think you can get away with anything. Don't push your luck at work.

♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 If you play your cards right over the next few days, you could find yourself moving up in the world.

♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20
It's a good day to persuade someone to back a project that could be beneficial to you. Make sure ideas are supported with solid facts.

♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18
Something will happen today that takes you by surprise — and it will be an especially nice surprise.

♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20 You may have doubts about a deal of some kind but those doubts will disappear by the early next week.

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